

Guidelines for Selecting an LWML Young Woman Representative (YWR)

Any mature young woman, preferably 22-35 years of age, who is a member of the LCMS and has not previously attended a national convention as a Young Woman Representative may become a YWR.

A YWR candidate has a deep love and devotion for her Lord Jesus Christ and is willing to participate in the full scope of the convention.

A YWR candidate will fill out the application completely and honestly and return it to the zone by the date it is due.

A YWR candidate is willing to be away from home/work for the entire convention and the travel time involved.

The YWR should:

have a strong relationship with her Lord. Her faith will encourage her as she participates in the convention and carries out her YWR duties and responsibilities;

have some knowledge of the LWML. She will gain much from her Iowa East District LWML convention experience if she understands the basics of the organization. **Each zone should make an effort to provide education and information for the YWR prior to the convention;**

know what is expected of her on the zone level after the district convention, whether that is speaking engagements, attendance at zone events or YWR committee work;

have experience or potential in at least two of the following areas: speaking, leading, recruiting or encouraging. Since she will be expected to impact others with her convention experience, skills in these areas will be helpful; and

have a desire to make a difference, be willing to assume the responsibilities given her by the zone, and serve in a sincere and dedicated manner. Enthusiasm to learn and be involved is a must!

What is expected of a Young Woman Representative?

A YWR will attend all sessions of the convention, sitting in her assigned location, though she will not be eligible to vote unless she is a delegate.

A YWR will be asked to report on her convention experience either orally or in written form to the zone or society that nominated her.

A YWR will commit to being involved in her local LWML as well as encourage other young women to be active in the LWML.

These guidelines are suggestions to empower your YWR program to have the greatest effect on the young women of your district. May the Lord lead and guide you in your selection process!

